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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I understand that USTelecom is petitioning to dismantle several components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. They are claiming that residential consumers will not be affected, because there are no carriers who use unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNEs) to compete in the residential marketplace. This is manifestly untrue because I am using such a carrier: Sonic. I and a million other subscribers will be materially affected.

Those effects would be profound; without access to UNE services, Sonic wouldnt have been able to connect consumers while they built their fiber networks, nor fund the construction of their fiber networks. And once fiber networks are built, UNEs are still used they connect from city to city and are the key backhaul for all of Sonic's fiber networks.

I rely on Sonic's services, and I oppose this petition. I oppose any action that would reduce telecom competition and access to fast, affordable internet and phone service.

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